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Office Action Summary

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Leland R. Jorgensen

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 December 2003.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1 - 7 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 - 7 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 05 June 2001 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Drawings

1. The drawings are objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a). The drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Therefore, the image to be displayed by said image processing device; specifically showing “wherein first and second display devices divisionally display an image” must be shown or the feature(s) canceled from the claim(s). No new matter should be entered.

A proposed drawing correction or corrected drawings are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.
3. Claim 1 – 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Bruning, US 2002/0135536 A1.

Claim 1

Bruning describes a display system 10. The display system comprises the image processing device [presentation device 14] and a first display device [monitor of presentation device 14] for displaying an image on a first display unit. Bruning, p. 2, ¶¶ 0027-0030; p. 3, ¶¶ 0034 - 0036; and figure 1. A second display device [personal viewing device 34] displays an

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image on a second display unit. Bruning, p. 5, ¶ 0064; and figures 6 & 8. A first coordinate value input device [input screen 16 with marking unit 20] is provided in correspondence with the first display unit. Bruning, p. 3, ¶¶ 0034 – 0035 and figures 1, 6 & 8. A second coordinate value input device [remote user nodes 24/personal viewing device 34 with marking unit 20] is provided in correspondence with the second display unit. Bruning, p. 5, ¶¶ 0065 – 0066; p. 6, ¶ 0076; and figures 6 & 8. The first and second display devices divisionally display an image to be displayed by the image processing device. Bruning, p. 3, ¶ 0034; and pp. 5 – 6, ¶¶ 0068 – 0078. The first display device has an input unit [presentation device 14] for receiving data from the first coordinate value input device and data from the second coordinate value input device. Bruning, p. 6, ¶¶ 0070 – 0072; and figures 6 & 8.

Claim 2

Bruning teaches a conversion unit [projection unit 18] for converting coordinate data input from the first coordinate value input device, coordinate data input from the second coordinate value input device, or both the coordinate data, into coordinate value data on a screen before division constituted of a screen of the first display unit and a screen of the second display unit. Bruning, p. 2 ¶ 0032; 6, ¶¶ 0070 – 0072; and figures 6 & 8.

Claim 3

Bruning teaches a coordinate origin of the first coordinate value input device or a coordinate origin of the second coordinate value input device is made equal to a coordinate value origin of a screen before division constituted of a screen of the first display unit and a screen of the second display unit, and the display system further comprises a conversion unit for converting data from the coordinate value input device whose coordinate origin is not made

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equal to the coordinate origin on the screen before division, into coordinate value data on the screen before division. Bruning, p. 2 ¶ 0032; 6, ¶¶ 0070 – 0072; and figures 6 & 8.

Claim 4

Bruning teaches that the first display device has an output unit for outputting data from the first coordinate value input device and the second coordinate value input device to the image processing device, and the conversion unit executes a conversion process before the first display device outputs the data from the first or second coordinate value input device to the image processing device via the output unit. Bruning, p. 2 ¶ 0032; 6, ¶¶ 0070 – 0072; and figures 6 & 8.

Claim 5

Brunner teaches that the first display device has the conversion unit. Bruning, p. 3 ¶¶ 0041 – 0043; and figure 3A.

Claim 6

Bruning teaches that the first display device has an output unit for outputting data from the first and second coordinate value input devices to the image processing device. Bruning, p. 2 ¶ 0032; 6, ¶¶ 0070 – 0072; and figures 6 - 8.

Claim 7

Bruning teaches that the second display device has a signal transmission unit [network unit 22] for transmitting data from the second coordinate value input device to the first display device, and the first display device has a signal reception unit for receiving the data transmitted from the data transmitted from the signal transmission unit. Bruning, 5, ¶¶ 0061 – 0063; and figures 6 & 7.

Response to Arguments

4. Applicant's arguments filed 29 December 2003 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

Applicant argues that Bruning does not teach that "the first and second display devices divisionally display an image to be displayed by the image processing device." How the first and second divisionally display an image is neither defined in the specification nor shown in the drawings.

During examination, the claims must be interpreted as broadly as their terms reasonably allow. This means that the words of the claim must be given their plain meaning unless applicant has provided a clear definition in the specification. The words in a claim are generally not limited in their meaning by what is shown or disclosed in the specification. It is only when the specification provides definitions for terms appearing in the claims that the specification can be used in interpreting claim language. MPEP 2111.01.

Bruning teaches that the first and second display devices may display the same image. The presenter has the option of allowing all parties to enter markings altering the electronic presentation image to include newly manually drawn material or the presenter may divisionally display the image so that the attendees entries are blocked or do not alter the permanent image of the electronic presentation. Bruning, p. 3, ¶ 0034; and pp. 5 – 6, ¶¶ 0068 – 0078.

Conclusion

5. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Leland Jorgensen whose telephone number is 703-305-2650. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Steven J. Saras can be reached on 703-305-9720.

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